

AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES  
MT. WOODSON PARKING ISSUE  
RAMONA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP  
~~15873 HWY 67, RAMONA, CA 92065~~  
RAMONA COMMUNITY CENTER  
~~434 AQUA LANE, RAMONA~~  
February 2, 2021, 5 pm  
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1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Determination of Members Present

Members Present: Kristi Mansolf, Chair; Mike Fry, Lynn Hopewell, Kevin Wallace, Robin Joy Maxson, Scotty Ensign (5:17)

Members Absent: Steve Powell

Guests: Battalion Chief Jeremy Snyder, CAL FIRE, Robert Grace, Jim Edwards

County Department of Parks and Recreation Representatives: Marcus Lubich, Dave Knopp, Crystall

4. Announcements & Correspondence Received – None
5. Presentations from the Public on Non-Agenda Items – None

6. Present concept plan and provide update on Mt Woodson staging area, to include discussion of signage and a vote on the concept plan

Mr. Lubich presented the concept plan for the Mt. Woodson parking lot. There will be 4 parking areas. Access will be off of Highway 67. There will be restriping of the highway at the access. The access and the parking lot will make the area safer for both hikers and CAL FIRE.

Going downhill from Highway 67 on the access road will be a gate. There will be 218 parking spaces. The number of parking spaces may change. If there is not enough parking, they have areas where parking can be expanded. There will be a solar powered gate that will open when people leave, and at sunset it will still open for outgoing traffic, but it won't open for incoming traffic. There will be dg roadways inside the park if cost allows for it. There is a stream that will have to be crossed and a bridge may be required over the stream.

Most roads inside the park area will be 1 way. Lots A and B will be by the trailhead and there will be 2 way traffic at lots A and B. The goal is that Lots A and B will have some ADA parking spaces and possibly portable restroom facilities. They are planning to have 9 portable restroom facilities. Depending on the frequency of use, they may add more.

Solar lighting will be used for security – there will be very little light. There will be directional signage throughout the property. An interpretive sign is planned showing the history of the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC). They are working with their history people on this. The trail from C and D will pass along the rock wall made by the CCC's. Their goal is to reduce impacts from what is there now.

Ms. Hopewell asked about the entry to the east of CAL FIRE. There will be a gate on the road for entry? Would there be trash bins or trash cans for the visitors to the park? Who is responsible for entry?

Mr. Lubich said there will be a black gate to the north entrance, and it will be moved down the road, away from Highway 67. He confirmed that there would be trash receptacles, and he said there would be park rangers periodically patrolling the staging area.

Mr. Wallace said there is a trend for more people to use Mt. Woodson from the south side. Are there plans for people heading north to have a left turn lane into the park?

Mr. Lubich said Caltrans may do a right turn only. There may be a left turn lane if it is safe.

Mr. Wallace said a left turn lane may interfere with the left turn lane for Archie Moore Road.

Ms. Hopewell asked if there would be a merge lane to go onto Highway 67 going north?

Mr. Fry said a merge lane going north from the park could interfere with Archie Moore Road.

Mr. Lubich said the details will be worked out with Caltrans. The road will be restriped as necessary.

Mr. Fry asked for clarification for a number of the detailed elements on the map. He asked if there would be any way for people entering the park to know if there were any open parking spaces?

Mr. Lubich said they will have to drive through the lots to see if a parking spot is available.

Mr. Ensign suggested putting porta-potties in 2 places within the parking lot area. He appreciates the County keeping the items that were built by humans, such as the wall. Mr. Ensign asked what happened to the septic system(s) that was there previously to serve the buildings?

Mr. Lubich said they were removed.

Mr. Wallace said he has walked the property. The map is very accurate and the parking lot is done well. The buildings have been cleaned up and the BBQ area looks great.

Mr. Edwards said it has been 33 years since George Bailey was there. The road to the top has become commercial. Are there any thoughts to redirect the commercial traffic to the top of Mt. Woodson through the parking lot? Mt. Woodson is a private road.

Mr. Lubich said the parking lot will be dirt and will not support heavy vehicle traffic. The goal of the parking lot is for people to use and not commercial traffic.

Mr. Grace said people park on Highway 67.

Mr. Lubich said the goal is to get people not to park on Highway 67, not to create a commercial access. Caltrans will put up no parking signs along Highway 67.

Ms. Maxson asked if there could be speed bumps between parking lots C and D?

Mr. Lubich said the parking lots will not be paved.

Ms. Maxson asked if there would be picnic tables in the vicinity of the parking lot?

Mr. Lubich said there will be no picnic tables.

Ms. Maxson asked if there would be a call box if there are problems?

Mr. Lubich said this has been considered and will be brought back.

Ms. Mansolf asked if the committee wanted to take a vote on the concept plan?

Mr. Fry said a vote would be premature.

Mr. Wallace said we should hold the vote until we know how the cars will get in and out and if they will go right and left.

Ms. Gallant, with the Ramona Sentinel, asked when the parking lot will open?

Mr. Lubich said the construction will start summer or fall and could be completed as early as 2022.

Ms. Gallant asked if parking would be free:

Mr. Knopp said they would like to transfer the parking lot to the City of San Diego for the future for maintenance.

7. Approval of Minutes of Meetings June 26, 2017, July 24, 2017, 8-24-20

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 24, 2020, MT. WOODSON AD HOC MINUTES.

Upon motion made by Lynn Hopewell and seconded by Kevin Wallace, the motion **passed 5-0-0-1**, with Steve Powell absent.

8. Adjournment

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